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1. LE MONDE OF 3 JAN CARRIED EXCELLENT, LONG (ABOUT 1500 WORD) SIGNED ARTICLE BY BERNARD FERON ENTITLED "50 YEARS AFTER ITS FOUNDATION, USSR MUST STILL ASSIMILATE REVOLUTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS." SUBSTANCE OF ARTICLE BASED ON SYMPOSIUM PROCEEDINGS AND INFO AND INTERPRETATIONS ACQUIRED BY FERON DURING HIS COVERAGE OF SAME. SYMPOSIUM (ARTICLE PROVIDES IDENTIFICATION DATA) SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED IN FOLLOWING PASSAGE: "...DURING THE SYMPOSIUM IN BRUSSELS, PROF

SHAPIRO STATED: 'THE PRINCIPAL BY WHICH LAW SHOULD EXTEND TO ALL WITHOUT DISTINCTIONS IS FOREIGN TO BOLSHEVIK THOUGHT... THE LAW IS CONSIDERED TO BE LIKE AN ARMY DESIGNED TO PROTECT THE DICTATORSHIP OF THE PROLETARIAT FROM ITS ENEMIES...' THE CONSTITUTION DEFINES THE RIGHTS OF THE CITIZEN BUT IT DOES NOT CONTAIN ANY PROVISION OBLIGING COURTS TO RESPECT THESE RIGHTS, ADDED MR. SHAPIRO. TODAY AS 50 YEARS AGO THE JUDGES MUST LET THEMSELVES BE GUIDED BY THE PARTY. MR. BUTKUS,

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WHO WAS UNTIL LAST JULY A MEMBER OF THE COLLEGE DES AVOCATS OF KAUNAS AND WHO CURRENTLY LIVES IN THE US, WAS REQUIRED TO INVOLVE HIMSELF IN THE CASE OF FATHER Z D E B S K I, A LITHUANIAN CATHOLIC PRIEST PERSECUTED ALONG WITH OTHERS BECUASE HE WAS EXERCISING HIS MINISTRY (ARTICLE 124 OF THE CONSTITUTION GUARANTEES FREEDOM OF WORSHIP.) 'IN MY CAPACITY AS HEAD OF THE KAUNAS COURT,' SAID MR. KAUNAS, 'I WAS CALLED BEFORE THE PARTY COMMITTEE. I WAS TOLD, AND SUCH WAS ALSO THE OPINION OF THE KGB, THAT I SHOULD DISMISS FROM ZDEBKIS' DEFENSE THE LAWYER IN WHOM HE HAD CONFIDENCE AND REPLACE HIM BY ANOTHER WHO WOULD HANDLE THE DEFENSE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LEADERSHIP'S DIRECTIVES'...."

2. ALTHOUGH ASSUME NEWSPAPER AVAILABLE HQS, HAVE AIRMAILED CLIP TO ☐ ☐ ON 4 JAN.

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